

## REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

In response to Examiner's remarks regarding drawings in the Notice of Allowability mailed June 29, 2004, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner approve the enclosed drawing amendments. Annotated Sheets Showing Changes with respect to Figures 1A, 1B, 2, 3, and 6 of the drawings are provided with proposed changes indicated in red ink. Corresponding Replacement Sheets are also enclosed. Applicants submit that the figures as amended do not add new matter given that support is found in the specification at page 8, lines 15-19, page 9, lines 10-14, and page 18, lines 1-10.

Figures 1A and 1B have been amended to include a prior art label. It is respectfully submitted that the changes to the drawings do not add new matter.

Formal drawings incorporating the above changes are also being submitted with this Request for Continued Examination.

Claims 40-43 have been added. Support is found in the application as originally filed. It is submitted that no new matter has been added.

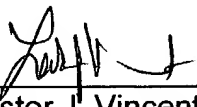
The undersigned attorney understands that a telephone interview occurred between the Examiner and Farzad Amini, one of the attorneys for applicants, on April 28, 2004 regarding an amendment filed April 5, 2004. Upon information and belief, a possible Examiner's Amendment was discussed regarding claim 1. Applicants have not received any written communication from Examiner regarding any amendment of claim 1. Applicants wish to point out that claim 1 has not been changed since the amendment filed April 5, 2004.

If there are any charges not covered by any check submitted, please charge  
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Respectfully submitted,

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